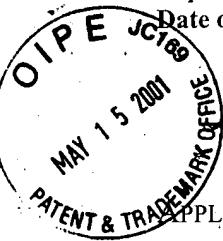


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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicant hereby petitions for a one-month extension of time to respond to the February 22, 2001 Office Action in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on May 22, 2001. A check in the amount of \$55.00, in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1), is enclosed herewith.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 15966-632 (CURA-132). A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

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